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Defendant.

) Case No.: 1:20-cv-0171 NONE JLT
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) ORDER DIRECTING THE CLERK OF COURT
) TO ASSIGN A DISTRICT JUDGE AND CLOSE
) THIS ACTION IN LIGHT OF THE NOTICE OF
) VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL
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) (Doc. 7)
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On February 12, 2020, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, indicating his dismissal of the action without prejudice pursuant to Rule 41. (Doc. 7) Pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A), “the plaintiff may dismiss an action without a court order by filing . . . a notice of dismissal before the opposing party serves either an answer or a motion for summary judgment.” Because the defendant had not appeared or filed an answer, the action was automatically terminated. *Id.* Accordingly, the Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to assign a district judge to the case for purposes of termination, and to close this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **February 13, 2020**

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE